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## Rare Ben Franklin.

Two hundred years ago today, in a modest house in the city of Boston was born Benjamin Franklin, one of the most illustrious of all Americans and one of the few men of all times to whom the adjective may properly be applied. With Washington himself he must share the first credit for the success of the Continental arms and the present existence of this republic among the nations of the earth.

He lived eighty-four years, in the course of which he passed through almost every stratum of human society. He was statesman, diplomat, man of letters, journalist, scientist, printer, and inventor, and in every field he entered won a deserved and enduring distinction. To his discoveries the whole present extent of electrical application is traceable, and it is said that if these fruits of his labors were removed from earth nine-tenths of the whole value of property in civilized countries would be destroyed and a great proportion of the world's population die of starvation.

He was the most nearly universal genius this country has ever produced. Perhaps there never lived a man who united in his single person a real distinction in so many lines of human endeavor. Certainly the man never lived more determined than Franklin to make his life useful to his kind or more successful in the attainment of that ambition. The homely maxims of "Poor Richard" have been translated into more languages than any writings other than those of the Bible; to Franklin the world owes utilitarian inventions that add now each day to the world's pleasure and comfort.

A great man, truly, who despised dogmas, religious, political, social, and literary, with a hearty contempt. He was one of the few men of his time who perceived the full future greatness of this country, and wherever his influence was felt in the molding of its institutions and fundamental law the lines are broad and free—permitting an unbounded and indefinite expansion.

We know too little of a man to whom our indebtedness is so great and pay too little reverence to one who always, in every walk of life, was first among his peers.

## Storekeeping and High Finance.

The lives of two Chicago merchants, Levi Z. Leiter and Marshall Field, shine reassuringly in the fog of "high finance" which now obscures the American business world. Both stuck all their lives to the old-fashioned trade of keeping store, and while both acquired fortunes so large as to necessitate enormous investments along other lines, both remained storekeepers—content to sell things of tangible, honest value for a fair and undisputed profit—until the end of their business lives.

Neither one was ever identified with the trade of buying stocks with borrowed money and pledging the stocks themselves as security for the loan. Neither ever held any \$100,000 post at the head of a corporation. Neither ever abstracted trust funds for the support of his family. They merely bought supplies as low as they could, gave their merchant customers generous, though judicious, credit, and sold their wares at a fair price.

To the great Wall Street financiers of our day such careers as these are humdrum. But these men were producers, not buccanniers. They dignified trade—and trade dignified them. As another newspaper has observed concerning Mr. Field's death, the business that occupied them "did not call for the maintenance of a legislative lobby or political influence at Washington, or control of an insurance company's treasury. It was just business." And if anything were needed effectively to puncture the un-American and unmanly pose of certain classes as being superior to "trade" it is offered in overflowing measure by the lives of these two merchants.

The Arizona kleezer is making his name good.

That taleman in the Denel River case in New York, who said he had never read Town Topics because he always shaved himself, came mighty near fixing the true status of that publication.

Judge Hooper seems to be in for some more hazing at the hands of the New York Assembly.

There are some breakfast foods which Germany cannot exclude as being American food stuffs—they will have to be dealt with on the wood pulp schedule.

## THE LINE.

Mary had a little waist  
Whose waists were meant to grow.  
And everywhere the fashions went  
Her waist was sure to go.

—New York Sun.

## IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

ROSE'S ENTERTAINMENT  
STAFF AT EMBASSYAffair Was Complimentary  
to Commander Boutakoff

## SOON TO LEAVE THE CITY

Former Naval Attache Going Back to  
Russia, Where He Reports for  
Sea Duty.

Baron Rosen, the Russian Ambassador, and Baroness Rosen entertained the entire staff of the embassy today, also the Baroness Elizabeth Rosen, Captain and Mrs. Cowles, and Captain Fournier. The event was complimentary to Commander Boutakoff, former naval attache of the embassy, who leaves this country for active sea duty in Russia January 20.

Senorita Elena Calderon was hostess at a luncheon party today, the table and dining room decorations being entirely in red. With her were Miss Hannah Taylor, guest of honor, a debutante of this season; Miss Kathleen Bourke, Senorita Godoy, daughter of the Mexican minister to Cuba; Senorita Walker-Martinez, Senorita Calvo, Miss Marion Stevens, Miss Marie Anderson, Miss Sessiday, of New Jersey, the guest of Miss Anderson; Miss Bella Bannan, and Miss Eleanor Wayne Parker.

Much interest centers in the coming of Mrs. Potter Palmer, who will arrive in Washington probably next week, and for whom a number of large dinner parties and other social events are being planned.

So much has been said at teas, dinner parties, receptions, and in fact wherever the social world meets, about the engagement of Miss Mathilde Townsend, daughter of Mrs. Richard H. Townsend, to Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte, that not only Miss Townsend but Mrs. Townsend are constantly called upon to emphatically deny the rumor. In fact, there is no engagement between the two young people.

This rumor, which has gone the rounds of the press like the engagement of Townsend to Duke d'Albe, while she is abroad last summer, is positively denied by Mrs. Townsend. Miss Townsend is not only one of the prettiest but one of the most lovable girls in Washington, and her popularity, which undoubtedly causes a rumor of her engagement to some new man to spring up so frequently.

A colonial ball will be given at the "Calvert" mansion, at Riverside, February 22, the event to be under the patronage of a number of prominent people, which guarantees its success.

The Ambassador and Mrs. Whitehead, who were the guests while in Washington of Capt. and Mrs. William Sheffield Cowles, have returned to their home in New York.

The American ambassador to Paris, Robert McCormick, who stopped in Chicago for a short time before sailing for his post in France.

Mr. Goldsborough at his concert Friday afternoon at the Arlington will be accompanied by Anton Gletsner. Among the selections which will be rendered by Mr. Goldsborough will be the "Symphony Espagnol" by Malo.

One of the most unique and interesting of the Southern ball at the Arlington last night was the fact that the guests were kept busy with introductions rather than the dance.

Mr. John Morrow Adams, one of the social leaders of Baltimore, is spending a few days with Miss Helen Varick Boswell at the Cairo. Mrs. Adams will return Thursday evening to attend the reception at the White House with Miss Boswell.

The Rev. Charles Lawrence Adams, of East Hampton, Mass., is the guest of General and Mrs. Greer and his wife, Miss Greely, at their home in G Street. Miss Greely's engagement to Mr. Adams was announced last fall, and their marriage will take place in April.

The marriage of Miss Ella Dessie Watt and Walter Edwin Ballard will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon at the St. James Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. E. J. Brown, wife of Captain Brown, will be at home to visitors each Thursday afternoon during January and February, at 19 Washington Barracks.

The wives of Congressmen who are this winter making their home at the Hamilton will receive this afternoon, and also February 14.

Mrs. Charles G. Dulin, who is entertaining Mrs. Leonard, of New York, and Miss Jaquith, of Boston, will be at home this afternoon.

Miss Gussie Hollberg, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Ida Levy, of this city.

Miss Sarah Rosenthal was the hostess at an enjoyable social gathering held at her home last evening. The decorations were all in red and natural flowers, producing a bright and cheerful effect. Dancing, music, and games were indulged in until a late hour, when the guests entered the dining room and enjoyed an ample repast. These present were: Miss Lena Mendelssohn, Miss Ida Hollberg, Miss Gussie Hollberg, all of Baltimore; Miss Sarah Levy, Miss Ida Frizell, Miss Frances Levy, Miss Libby Levy, Miss Ida Levy, Miss Lena Hirschman, Miss Rose Rothstein, Miss Sophie Levy, Miss Sophie Levy, Miss Fannie Hirschman and Mildred Stern, H. Levy, B. Jellin, A. Cohen, Max Cohen, Mark Stearns, Will Nichols, Max Rosenthal, and Charles Rosenthal.

Mrs. Benjamin Frank, of Baltimore, is in the city, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Charles Kaufman, of Eighteenth Street.

Lawrence Marcus, of Baltimore, spent a few days last week in the city, the guest of his cousin, Philip Brown.

Joseph Stern, of Norfolk, Va., is spending a few days here, with his relatives, prior to extending his trip to New York.

Miss Bessie Cohen, of Baltimore, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Leo Baum, of 121 U Street, northwest, at home Sunday.

who has been the guest of Mrs. James Pinchot, will today go to the home of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Root and will be their guest for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. son Hutchins contemplate a trip to Charleston, the journey and the length of their stay.



SENORITA ELENA CALDERON,  
Daughter of the Minister from Bolivia and Senora Calderon, Who Will Be  
Hostess at a Luncheon Today in Honor of Miss Hannah Taylor.

ROOSEVELTS GUESTS  
OF SECRETARY TAFT

President and Wife Entertained at Dinner, Where They  
Met a Number of Other People Prominent in  
Washington Society.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt were the guests at dinner last night of Secretary of War and Mrs. Taft. Invited to dine with them were the Chief of Staff of the United States Army and Mrs. Chaffee, Senator and Mrs. Newlands, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. John Hays Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Felton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Taft, Mrs. Longworth, Miss Anderson, John C. Bate, and Mr. Wickerson.

The German Ambassador and Baroness von Sternburg entertained a dinner party last night for Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth, her fiancé. The visitors of the party were Viscount and Viscountess de Faramond, Baron and Baroness Buesche, Miss Boardman, Miss Isabel May, Miss Warner, Miss MacVeagh, Miss Root, Miss Hagner, Count Bressler, of the German embassy; Mr. Reenie and Mr. Lindsey, of the British embassy.

The Baroness wore a beautiful gown of blue green satin embroidered in silver. All the old gold and silver plate of the von Sternburg ancestors was used upon the table, relieved by cut glass and a large centerpiece of ferns. One of the most recent and interesting pieces of news relative to Miss Roosevelt's marriage to Mr. Longworth is that all of the members of the party will unite in presenting the young people with a splendid wedding gift in the shape of a sovereign of the empire. This will in no wise interfere, of course, with the individual gift from any member of the party, but will be an imperishable memento to remind them of the friends who added to the pleasure of the trip.

The Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks, whose entertainments are now looked upon as not only the most frequent, but the most elegant given by official hosts, entertained at dinner last night Secretary and Mrs. Shaw, Postmaster General and Mrs. Cortright, Senator and Mrs. Hopkins, Senator and Mrs. Tillman, Senator Patterson, Senator Millard, Miss Millard, Representative and Mrs. Landis, Representative and Mrs. Goebel, Representative and Mrs. Hale, and Mrs. Howry; Mrs. W. H. Coleman and Mrs. John Middleton, house guests for the week; ex-Senator and Mrs. Thurston, Commissioner of Internal Revenue and Mrs. Yerkes, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Patterson, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reid.

Mrs. Fairbanks will give her usual Wednesday afternoon reception today, from 3 to 5 o'clock, when she will have a number of assistants.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Pinchot and Gifford Pinchot gave a reception at their home last night.

however, depending upon the health and inclination of Mr. Hutchins, who is not robust.

Mme. Riano, formerly Miss Alice Ward, who has been the guest of Mrs. Theodore Noyes at her home, on New Hampshire Avenue, Mrs. Noyes, who was dressed in pale blue satin, was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Crosby Noyes, Mrs. Pettigrew, Miss Prentice, and Mrs. George W. Boyd, of Philadelphia, and many other women prominent in social circles.

Mrs. Alice Roosevelt's contemplated visit to Miss Mignon Critten, the handsome young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. De Frees Critten, of Grymes Hill, Staten Island, who made the trip with Miss Roosevelt around the world on the Taft expedition, and who became engaged to Congressman Swager, of Georgia, on the journey, has been postponed indefinitely. Miss Roosevelt's time is all taken up preparing for her wedding.

A large reception was given yesterday by Mrs. Theodore Noyes at her home, on New Hampshire Avenue. Mrs. Noyes, who was dressed in pale blue satin, was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Crosby Noyes, Mrs. Pettigrew, Miss Prentice, and Mrs. George W. Boyd, of Philadelphia, and many other women prominent in social circles.

Mrs. Hodges, wife of Commander Hodges, was at home yesterday afternoon for the first time this season. Her apartments at the Highlands were fragrant with cut flowers. Miss de-

Rhode Island avenue residence last night for the Association of American Foresters, who are now in session here. Assisting the hosts and their son in receiving were Secretary Wilson, Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Garfield, Mrs. Herbert Vandevoort, Mrs. Spooner, Mrs. Newlands, Mrs. Hobson, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Don Cameron, Mrs. Wolcott, Mrs. Lowndes, Mrs. Hauge, Mrs. Howe, Miss Cannon, Mrs. Cooley, Mrs. Spaulding, and Miss Elizabeth Keen. Mrs. Pinchot wore a gown of black velvet with turquoise and diamonds. The reception lasted from 9 to 12 o'clock, and was attended by a large and representative body of society people who met the visiting strangers.

Miss Catherine Cullen Ridgely entertained at dinner last night Dr. and Mrs. James Mitchell, who chaperoned the party. Mrs. Southernland, Miss Edith Miller, Miss Mary Duell, Miss Katharine Williams, of Chicago; Mr. Calderon, Thomas Williams, Paymaster Deering, Mr. Pose, James Archibald, and Dr. Dixon.

Olaf Wessberg and Miss Ester Anderson were married last Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burns, 27 New Jersey Avenue southeast. The bride was attended by Miss Anna Foley, and Howard Foley was best man. There were about ninety guests at the ceremony and the supper which followed. Mr. and Mrs. Wessberg were the recipients of many beautiful presents.

The Seminoles entertained a number of their friends in honor of the thirtieth anniversary of the birthday of their president, Connie L. Bell, at his residence, 120 Ninth Street northwest, Monday evening. Business and pleasure were gracefully blended and after a reception of officers, dance and music were enjoyed until the dining room was thrown open, where refreshments were served.

The president was unanimously re-elected. The following were also chosen: Miss Alice Turner, vice president; Miss Lena Thill, secretary; E. M. Taylor, treasurer. Their next dance will be given February 8, when all friends are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Whitmore celebrated the fifth anniversary of their marriage January 15, at their home, 615 I Street northeast, the event also celebrating the birthday of Mrs. Whitmore. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Dr. George Calvert Carter. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present. The bride was attended by Mrs. Frank B. Lord. She wore a handsome traveling suit. James M. Lord, the bride's brother, attended her. Her bridesmaid was Mrs. Clifford M. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Sussan, Miss Gussie Newman, Miss Rena Brady, Miss Bessie Meyer, Miss Ray Lyon, Miss Lillian Chondos, R. P. Cameal, William Berger, James King, Lawrence Inlay. An excellent quartet furnished music for the occasion.

Decorating the parlor and Jonquil and red carnations the dining room. Mrs. Hodges was assisted by Mrs. Swirburne, Mrs. Newcomb, Mrs. McDonald, Miss Natalie Lincoln, and Miss Irene Moore.

Mrs. F. H. Bethell, of the Mendota, gave a tea yesterday afternoon, in honor of her parents, General and Mrs. Hartshoff, of Detroit, Mich. The house was decorated with pink roses, palms, ferns, and Southern smilax.

Mrs. Bethell wore a dainty frock of pale green de chine, and Mrs. Hartshoff a gown of black velvet and point lace. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Mal-Miss Webster, Miss Townsend, Miss Martha Scott, Miss Cushing, Miss Porter, Miss Southernland, Miss Reynolds, and Miss Gatewood.

Mrs. Mallory and Miss Townsend presided in the tea room, and Mrs. Webster and Miss Scott served punch in the library.

The Misses Houston and Mrs. Samuel E. Lewis will be at home, 1411 Tenth Street, on Thursdays, February 8 and 15.

The following Washington people are visiting in New York today:

W. B. Altman, D. F. Boyd, E. S. Courtwright, J. H. Crawford, W. W. Hall, F. S. Hardisty, A. B. Hutton, S. D. Hecht, R. M. Meeks, J. A. Schneider, J. E. Seale, W. H. Thompson, B. F. Anderson, H. Bliss, D. A. Greenleaf, F. M. Harrison, P. M. Hawk, C. W. Henderson, J. H. Henderson, R. Hayes, Jr.,

YORK PROPHECY  
GETS CALL DOWN

Gettysburg Oracle Tells Him  
a Few Things.

## POINTS OUT AN ERROR

Declares the World Will Not Come  
to an End Until  
1914.

YORK, Pa., Jan. 17.—S. S. W. Hammers, of Gettysburg, a justice of the peace, a biblical student and an oracle among the country folk of Adams county and the western border of York county, takes exception to Prophet Spangler's calculation, contending that the York prophet is off in his date, and that the actual time set by the Lord for the destruction of this planet is 1914, and not 1908. Justice Hammers has issued a statement, in which, by biblical figures and prophecies, he predicts the coming of the end in 1914. The Gettysburg prophet's statement is as follows:

"The blessings recorded in the latter part of Leviticus, cxxv:45, will be fulfilled. At this time God will render and fulfill to Israel the covenant made with the fathers (Romans, ii:25-27). And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped. In the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather (Revelation, xiv:14-16; Matthew, xiii:29). The harvest work will occupy forty years. This harvest began in 1874 and will end 1914. The final extinction of the counterfeit hierarchy, which will be near the close of the day of wrath and judgment already begun, must close as shown by the times of the gentiles, which the year 1914.

"The scriptural evidence is clear and strong that the times of the gentiles is a period of 2,520 years—from the year B. C. 606 and including A. D. 1914. The loss of dominion to the gentile government as we have already seen, began with Nebuchadnezzar—not when his reign began, but when the typical kingdom of the Lord passed away, and the dominion of the whole world was left in the hands of the gentiles. The date for the beginning of the gentile times is, therefore, definitely marked as at the time of the removal of the crown of gold from the kingdom of Zedekiah, their last king.

## Beginning of End.

"This time of the end, beginning A. D. 1789 and closing A. D. 1914, though characterized by a great increase of knowledge over all past ages, is to culminate in the greatest time of trouble the world has ever known (see Revelation), but it is, nevertheless, preparing for an ending in that blessed time so long promised, when the true kingdom of God, under the control of the true Christ, will fully establish an order of government the very reverse of that of antichrists. Since this period prepares for and leads to the kingdom, it leads also to the great conflict between the old and new order of things by which the latter will be introduced. And though the old order of things may pass away and the new must supersede it, the change will be violently opposed by those benefited by the present order. Revolutions worldwide bank failures, all offices of trust faltering, grafting in every public office—all these things will manifest themselves in the final and complete destruction of the old order and the introduction of the new.

"During the next eight years great disasters and inventions will take place, all working together in this day of preparation for the incoming millennium age. During the next eight years the Jews will be organized, but will be destroyed before the first of October, 1914, which will be the full end of the gentile time."

L. Minette, G. Parli, S. S. Robinson, H. L. Sewall, H. M. Singleton, and E. W. Wheeler.

A pretty wedding took place this morning at the rectory of St. Andrew's Church, when Miss Belva N. Lord became the wife of Charles P. Ravenburg. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Dr. George Calvert Carter. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present. The bride was attended by Mrs. Frank B. Lord. She wore a handsome traveling suit. James M. Lord, the bride's brother, attended her. Her bridesmaid was Mrs. Clifford M. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Sussan, Miss Gussie Newman, Miss Rena Brady, Miss Bessie Meyer, Miss Ray Lyon, Miss Lillian Chondos, R. P. Cameal, William Berger, James King, Lawrence Inlay. An excellent quartet furnished music for the occasion.

HAZING IN IOWA SCHOOLS  
TO BE MADE MISDEMEANOR

DES MOINES, Jan. 17.—Hazing in Iowa colleges and high schools will be made a misdemeanor, punishable by thirty days' imprisonment or \$100 fine, if a bill introduced in the legislature by Representative Greeley becomes a law. He made an impassioned argument in behalf of his measure, based on the recent hazing of Clifford Holmes, a student of Iowa State College, at Ames, of which he made a personal investigation. President Storms sought to avoid publicity in that connection.

Greeley says, however, Holmes was brutally treated. He says the student had just recovered from an operation for appendicitis. The hazers, ignoring his protests and clabbering his state, pulled him in opposite directions till Holmes almost fainted from pain and he was held by the surgeon's knife were reopened.

DIED OF BLOOD POISONING  
RESULTING FROM SCRATCH

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Jan. 17.—Suffering from blood poisoning caused by a small scratch on his face, inflicted three weeks ago while skylarking with fellow-members of the old board of directors, at a farcical meeting, former freeholder Martin J. Cauley died at the home of his parents.

Cauley died soon after the meeting. He had served for two years. He was first defeated for the office by T. J. Smith. The latter had served but a short time when he died, and the board of aldermen elected Mr. Cauley to succeed him.

THE PERSONAL SIDE  
AT THE CAPITOL

Character Sketches in Pen and Pencil of Veteran  
Lawmakers, and Some New Men Serving in Congress.

## The Dean of the Arkansas Delegation

The dean of the Arkansas delegation will retire at the end of this Congress. The dean is Representative John S. Little. He was elected to fill a vacancy in the Fifty-third Congress, caused by the resignation of Representative H. B. Breckenridge, who was appointed by President Cleveland Ambassador to St. Petersburg, and has been re-elected continuously since. Mr. Little is a candidate for governor of his State, and just now he is among his people talking to them on State issues. In March the people of Arkansas will make the nomination for governor, and at the same time the nomination for Congress from the district now represented by Mr. Little will also be made. In the betting ring Mr. Little is a hot favorite, and his friends in the House say he'll be nominated for governor on the first ballot. And a nomination is equivalent to an election. It is something of a coincidence that in recent years the Democratic side of the House has lost the services of quite a few of the veterans, who retired to become governors of their respective States. The list includes Sayre, of Louisiana; of Texas; Dockery, of Missouri; and Swanson, of Virginia.

If Representative Little is successful in his race for the governorship, his election will create a vacancy in his district for the short session of Congress which begins next December. It was Mr. Little who secured the passage of the resolution last winter calling on the Bureau of Corporations to make an investigation of the Steel trust.

## The Pink Member.

The pink member of the House is Babcock and Loudenslager. Every morning when they put in an appearance at the Capitol, the top buttonhole of their coats is adorned with a fragrant double pink. Sometimes the pink is of the deep carnation variety, but more often it is of a lighter hue. The pink wearing habit is not of recent date, but of years' growth. It is said of these two distinguished statesmen and cronies, for they have been closely associated in Congressional campaigns for the past seven Congresses, that the pink is emblematic and that it has a connection with some secret order. For twelve years not a day has passed but that the pink has bloomed on the bosom of these two statesmen, whether here at the Capitol during the session of Congress or at their homes, or even on the hustings. Often, really almost daily, the pink identifies Babcock and Loudenslager to hundreds of strangers who are anxious to have pointed out the leading members of the House.

## Insurgents and Poker.

Representative Watson of Indiana, the Republican "whip" of the House, tells a story to emphasize his confidence that the insurgents will not have to compromise with the insurgents on the Philippine tariff bill.

"Talk of our compromising with the insurgents now," said Mr. Watson today, "reminds me of the man who played a game of poker with his friends for a fine fat rooster. At the beginning of the game he took out the rooster to tell him of the merits of this rooster, and according to their remarks, he saw that the rooster in question was about the finest in the country.

"The cards were dealt, discarded, and drawn, and the man won the rooster. He was surprised, however, to see that the rooster was not the one he had won, but particularly annoyed by his winning. The rooster was then brought in, and he was a surprised man to see that he had been playing for his own rooster. He had won the rooster, but it was his all the time.

"That's the way it is with us," concluded Mr. Watson. "What's the use of our compromising when we have the whole House on our side, and the other fellows have nothing?"

## No Bull Frog Eggs.

Representative John Wesley Gaines, of Tennessee, is noted for the faithfulness and earnestness with which he attends to all the wants of his constituents whenever he can. It is for this reason, perhaps, that the voters of his district have no hesitation in asking him for whatever they want to get in Washington. This morning, however, the limit in these requests was reached.

Mr. Gaines received a letter from a colored man down in his district who has just purchased a farm with a pond on it.

"Fishes," ran the letter, "send me some government bull frogs so as I can put 'em in my pond and raise a big night of 'em."

Mr. Gaines, remembering that, although the government does furnish people with fish eggs, its dealings in bull frogs are very limited, tore his hair in despair. He stands to lose that vote.

## How Rules Committee Meets.

The thoroughness with which the average member of Congress realizes how his legislative acts are controlled by a small group of men in the House, known as the Committee on Rules, is well illustrated by a conversation heard in the House at the beginning of a recent session.

"Cannon is in the chair and Dalzell, Payne, and Grosvenor are in their seats," said one member. "I suppose something's going to happen."

"The Committee on Rules," laughed another, "never meets. Sometimes, though, Uncle Joe calls up Dalzell and Grosvenor on the telephone and says: 'This is what we've done. Then they say it to the other members, and it is done. That's the way it goes.'"

## Hale Dislikes Tobacco.

Senator Hale of Maine cannot abide the smell of tobacco smoke, and therefore endless embarrassment is caused to his associates who have to learn of his prejudice. The old timers, who know his antipathy, never dream of starting to smoke in committee room when he is present. For some of them, however, a long stretch of Senatorial courtesy for nearly all the Senators, and especially the veterans who serve with him on the high committees, are in-ter-ate smokers.

It's no mean prejudice of the Maine Senator, but a physical inability to stand the odor of tobacco. He can't remain in a room where there is enough smoke to be noticed. His friends perfectly understand and accommodate themselves to the condition, but sometimes strangers start painful doings by failing to observe in committee meeting when the Senator is present.

## Long's Coinage Schemes.

Charles Albert Long, of Spokane, "author of the world's solution of legislative interests in money," according

to the card which he distributed liberally among statesmen, has gone home. Mr. Long had a scheme which made William J. Bryan's unlimited coinage proposal look mean and puny.

"I have discovered," he told Secretary Shaw when he first came to town, "the monetary secret of the ages. It came to me by no accident. I thought it out, and I consider the feat one of the greatest efforts of pure intellect ever achieved by mortal mind. As a result, sir, I am prepared to show how the commercial world may admit all money made of silver, but the subsidiary metals, it means, sir, that the nation which first adopts this plan will be the world's banker; that the statesman who first expounds it will be known in all time as the first benefactor of his fellow-men."

At the end of five minutes of the discourse, the Secretary interrupted with: "Mr. Long, when were you discharged?"

"Discharged? What do you mean?"

"Just what I ask—how long have you been out?"

"Out of what?"

"The insane asylum, of course."

Satisfied that the Secretary's intellectual grasp wasn't equal to the effort to take in the great discovery of Mr. Long moved on Capitol Hill. He called on prominent Senator, sent in his card, and the Senator appeared went right to the point.

"Senator, do you want to be President of the United States?"

"Like all Senators when this question is propounded, the victim dissembled. But Mr. Long didn't wait.

"First," said the Senator, "I must take up my great financial discovery and get it reported."

"The Spokane financier—who is a farmer when at home—proceeded to outline his scheme. The Senator tried to escape, but Senator Long wouldn't let him. He read the Long bill and gave an opinion on it. After that he saw Mr. Long daily for two weeks. It got to be a nightmare. Long frankly declared that this was his last chance; he had not found another Senator who seemed able to understand his proposal. He was satisfied that the world didn't want to be helped. At last the Senator said:

"Will Mr. Bryan come home; he's your man. I'm sure he'll be able to follow you. The rest of us are mighty old and feeble, but we'll do our best. Bryan is your long-lost brother."

Mr. Long gave it up and went home.

Get Congressional Directory. An abbreviated form of the Congressional Directory labeled "Pocket Edition," made its appearance on the desks of every Senator yesterday morning. The directory is exceedingly handy as it contains in tablet form the most important information found in the regular Congressional Directory.

Prominent features of the edition are the home addresses